

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are pending. By this Amendment, the specification and Abstract are replaced with a Substitute Specification and Substitute Abstract, and claims 1-23 are amended. No new matter has been added.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of the specification (37 C.F.R. §1.125(b)(2)) and each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(ii)).

Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments:

Substitute Abstract  
Appendix  
Substitute Specification  
Marked-up copy of specification

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